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I. THE Charge of the Navy for the Three Years laſt paſt, commencing at *Michaelmas* 1701, and ending at *Michaelmas* 1704, at which times the Eſtimates have been uſually made, amounts, by the neareſt Computation can be made of it, to the Sum of	6559127	12	2

But then it is to be obſerved, that in this Calculation is comprehended the Charges of ſome Services which relate not to the Navy, tho' the Moneys have paſt through the Treaſurer of the Navy's hands, and conſequently are brought into this Account, and others which were not provided for by any of the Naval Eſtimates, or by any Proviſion in Parliament, as

	l.	s.	d.
1*ſt*, The Money iſſued by the Treaſurer of the Navy for Tranſport-Service, not taken to relate to the Navy, or comprehended in any of its Eſtimates, amounting to	84515	12	8
2*dly*, The Charge of maintaining and exchanging Priſoners of War, paid out of the Money impreſted to the Commiſſioners of the Sick and Wounded, as by an Account from thoſe Commiſſioners, amounting to	41024	13	9 ¼
3*dly*, The Charge of the Regiſter, for which no Proviſion has been made by Parliament	83713	0	0
4*thly*, Expences in Victualling Land-Soldiers and Garriſons, and other extraordinary Charges in the Victualling, as by an Account from thoſe Commiſſioners.	176960	1	3
Which laſt Sum being deducted out of the firſt, the Charge of the Navy for the ſaid Three Years, appears to be but	6172914	4	5 ¼
And taking the Proviſion deſigned by the Parliament for the Navy, for the ſaid Three Years to have been	6193094	15	0
The Charge thereof appears not to have exceeded the Proviſion made for it, but fallen ſhort the Sum of	20180	10	6 ¼

II. As for the Debts of the Navy they appear'd by the Eſtimates thereof at *Michaelmas*, 1704, to be	2266864	17	10
At *Michaelmas* 1702, they were by the Eſtimates made at that time	1016767	3	9
Which laſt being deducted from the firſt, there appears to be an increaſe at *Michaelmas* 1704, of	1250097	14	1
But the Deficiencies, or Moneys received Short of what was deſigned by Parliament for the Navy, amounting to the Sum of	1141305	19	8
The real increaſe is but	108791	14	5
And in theſe Two Years, the Services aforemention'd unprovided for, namely the Tranſports, Exchange of Priſoners, Regiſter and Victualling, amounting to	301157	17	9
The Debts of the Navy decreaſed in theſe Two Years the Sum of	192366	3	4

The Number of Marines to be employ'd as part of the Forty Thouſand Men at Sea, for the Year 1704, being encreaſed from Five to Eight Thouſand, does more than ſupply the 1566 Seamen, which 'tis ſaid were wanting; and there was not One Ship of the Rates proper for Cruizers and home Convoys, and that could be fitted out, which was unemploy'd, or lay in Port for want of Orders.

There is no Eſtabliſhment of the Navy that ſettles and limits the Number of Flag-Officers, and heretofore it has been more or leſs, as the Crown has thought fit upon the Circumſtances of Affairs: Laſt Year it was owing to the King of *Spain's* Importunity, in behalf of the Captain of the Admiral's Ship, which His Majeſty was then on board, that there were Ten Flag Officers; and tho' the Queen conſented that Captain *Wiſheart* ſhould have a Rear-Flag at that King's earneſt requeſt, there was no additional Expence by it to the Navy: For the Pay of Rear-Admiral and Captain to the Admiral of the Fleet, is exactly the ſame; And there are ſeveral Inſtances where Flags have acted as Captains to Admirals, particularly Sir *John Narborough* did ſo to the late Lord *Oſſory* in 1673. And Vice-Admiral *Davis* to the late Lord *Dartmouth* at the Revolution.

Mr. *Graydon* was employ'd the beginning of the Year, and no Objection made to him till the Lord's Addreſs of the 29th of *March* 1704. From that time his Service was not further made uſe of at Sea, but his Pay continu'd to him for the remaining part of the Year, in conſideration of the Expence he was at, and the Sickneſs he contracted in the Expedition to the *Weſt-Indies*, which he chearfully and readily undertook, when others refuſed to go who were Commanded.

Penſions.

The whole Increaſe upon the Head of Penſions, ſince the Prince was Lord High Admiral, amounts to 5097 l. 5 s. 5 d. Whereof 4504 l. 2 s. 11 d. ariſes by Superannuations according to the Eſtabliſhments of former Reigns, and the uſual Allowances which the Crown gives to the Relations of Officers ſlain in Fight; or were made in purſuance of the Addreſs of Parliament upon account of the late great Storm. 273 *l.* 15 *s.* 0 *d.* of the 593 *l.* 2 *s.* 6 *d.* that remains, is what was added to the Lord *Carmarthen's* Pay of Rear-Admiral allowed him in the late Reign, while he ſtaid aſhore, to make it equal to the Pay of a Vice-Admiral, to which Flag the Queen was pleaſed to Promote him. The reſt, *viz.* 319 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d.* is paid Sir *John Munden*, who being try'd at a Court-Martial, where ſeveral Flag-Officers were preſent, was honourably acquitted, upon a full Examination into his Expedition to *Corunna*; however, Her Majeſty, not thinking fit he ſhould go to Sea any more, was graciouſly pleaſed to give him the uſual Allowance to Superannuated Rear-Admirals, in Conſideration of his Age and long Services.

Mrs. *Nevil's* Penſion was ſuſpended, upon intimation of her being marry'd; and though her Name was continued in the Ordinary Eſtimate of the Navy, the Publick has receiv'd no Prejudice by it, for ſhe never was paid any part of the ſaid Penſion, for any time after the Date of the Suſpenſion.

All Officers, but ſuch as refuſed to ſerve, or were turn'd out for Faults, have had Proviſion made for them as uſual.

The Prince is impowred under the Broad-Seal, to appoint Seven to be of his Council for the Affairs of the Admiralty, which Number was never fill'd till lately; and no more has been paid than 1000 *l.* a Year to each of thoſe who were appointed by his Royal-Highneſs, the reſt of the 7000 *l.* demanded for the Prince's Council in the Eſtimate of the Navy, being conſtantly apply'd to the current Service of the Year; And it is to be obſerved, that the Prince never had any Salary as Lord-High-Admiral, though 8000 *l.* a Year has been formerly allowed; And his Royal-Highneſs gave up all his Perquiſites as Lord-High-Admiral, at his entring upon that Office, for the Uſe of the Publick, during the War.

Mr. *Churchill's* Appointments, are juſt the ſame with all Perſons who have had the Honour to Serve in the ſame Stations, but he declined receiving his Table-Money before the Report of the Committee of the Lords was made, though others us'd to have it when aſhore: Her Majeſty may employ her Officers when and where ſhe pleaſes, and tho' he was not at Sea this laſt Year, he went the Year before at a Day's Warning, when Sir *George Rooke's* Illneſs made him ask leave to come aſhore; and if Sir *George's* Indiſpoſition had continued, and not permitted him to proceed, when the King of *Spain* was to be fetch'd from *Holland*, Mr. *Churchill*, as he was Order'd, had gone again at as little Warning. His Penſion was transferr'd by the late King from the Pay-Office of the Army to that of the Navy, and ſettled upon him at firſt, in lieu of an Employment, which he laid down, at his late Majeſty's deſire, and to accommodate his Service.

As to the Cruizers and Convoys for the Home-Trade, tho' the Navy was under great difficulties the laſt Year, by reaſon of the violent Storm, and the numbers of Ships employed abroad, It will appear by the annexed Scheme, that a due Care was taken of thoſe Services, and the Convoys in the North-Seas, conſiderably more than formerly. The Trade from abroad had the uſual and proper Convoys appointed for them; tho' ſome that came home late in the Year, were prevented by the Violence of the Weather, from affording it that protection they otherwiſe would; and the Cruizers that were order'd to look out in proper Stations, came in with part of the Trade; and were kept, by the Damages they receiv'd, the contrary Winds, and ſtormy Weather, from going out again to look for the reſt.

Convoys

Convoys and Cruizers.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.	
	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.	Rate.	Ships.
Cruiſing for the *Eaſt India* Ships expected home.	3	Rupert	3	Rupert	3	Rupert	3	Rupert												
Gone Convoy with ſome Victuallers to *Holland*.	4	Monk	4	Monk	4	Monk	4	Monk												
		Aſſiſtance																		
To Convoy the Duke of *Marlborough* to *Holland*.	3	Eſſex						Tilbury												
	4	Nottingham		Nottingham				[illegible]ham												
		Worceſter		Worceſter				[illegible]d												
		Aſſiſtance		Aſſiſtance				Dragon												
To Convoy *Weſt India* Ships into the Sea.							5	Folkſtone												
		Medway																		
Convoy between the *Downs* and *Falmouth*.		Southampton		Southampton		Southampton	4	Moderate	4	Hazardous	4	Falmouth	4	Falmouth	4	Hazardous	4	Hazardous	4	Hazardous
	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	5	Haſtings	5	Haſtings	5	Loweſtoff	5	Loweſtoff	5	Loweſtoff
	5	Arundell	5	Arundell	5	Arundell	5	Arundell	5	Arundell	5	Arundell		Arundell		Arundell		Arundell		Arundell
		Bridgwater		Bridgwater		Bridgwater		Bridgwater				Bridgwater		Bridgwater		Bridgwater		Bridgwater		Bridgwater
Attend on the Coaſt of *Ireland* as Cruizers and Convoys, under the Orders of the Lord Lieutenant of that Kingdom.		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham		Feverſham
		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham		Shoreham
		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell		Speedwell
	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford	6	Seaford
	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte	Yacht	Charlotte
Cruiſing off the Iſles of *Guernſey* and *Jerſey*, and Convoys the Trade from thence to *Southampton*.	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley	5	Bedford Galley
Coaſt Convoy between *Milford* and *Exmouth*.		Dolphin		Dolphin		Dolphin	4	Southampton	4	Southampton	4	Southampton	4	Southampton	4	Southampton	4	Southampton	4	Southampton
		Haſtings		Haſtings		Haſtings	5	Haſtings	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard	6	Lizard
									4	Aſſiſtance	4	Aſſiſtance	4	Aſſiſtance	4	Aſſiſtance	4	Aſſiſtance	4	Aſſiſtance
							6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough
Newcaſtle Convoy.		Greyhound		Greyhound		Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound	5	Greyhound
	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale		Kingſale		Kingſale		Kingſale		Kingſale		Kingſale		Kingſale		Kingſale
							4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter	4	Cheſter
Cruiſing off *Scilly*.							6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale	6	Nightingale
	5	Lyme	5	Lyme																
		Rye		Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye	5	Rye
Cruiſing between *Lundy* and *Pembroke*.	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance	6	Penzance
											Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery
Cruiſing between *Folkſtone* and *Beachy*.		Dunwich		Dunwich																
		Poſtillion Prize		Poſtillion Prize	Brig.	Diſpatch	Brig.	Diſpatch												
Cruiſing off the North Foreland.		Maidſtone		Maidſtone																
Convoy between *Lynn*, the *Nore*, and *Newcaſtle*.		Solebay		Solebay	6	Poſtillion Prize	6	Swan	6	Swan	6	Swan	6	Swan	6	Swan	6	Swan	6	Swan
Cruiſing between *Swanzey* and *Milford*.	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig.	Diſcovery	Brig	Diſcovery										
Cruiſing off *Dover*.		Diſpatch		Diſpatch							Brig.	Fly								
		Diligence		Diligence		Diligence		Diligence		Diligence		Diligence	Brig.	Diligence						
Cruiſing off *Harwich*.				Fly		Fly		Fly		Fly				Fly	Brig.	Fly	Brig.	Fly	Brig.	Fly
Cruiſing off *Shoreham*.		Spy		Spy																
Cruiſing between *Barnſtaple* and *Lundy*.	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs	Adv. Boat	Expreſs
Attends on the Iſland of *Scilly*.	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound	Sloop	Hound
Attends on *Lynn* and *Boſton*, and Convoys their Trade along the Coaſts.		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin		Merlin
Attends on *Cromer* and *Lynn*, and Convoys their Trade along the Coaſts.		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta		Bonetta
Convoy between the *Maez* and *Yarmouth*.	4	Portland	4	Portland	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll	4	Briſtoll		
				Winchelſea		Winchelſea														
Cruiſing on the Coaſt of *Scotland*, to intercept Scotch Ships ſuppoſ'd to be coming thither from *Holland* with Arms.	5	Adventure	5	Adventure																
Convoy between *Hull*, the *Nore*, and *Newcaſtle*.	6	Queenbrough	6	Queenbrough																
				Rocheſter Prize	6	Rocheſter Prize														
					4	Aſſiſtance		Aſſiſtance												
						Chatham		Chatham												
						Worceſter		Worceſter												
Cruiſing to intercept the French Grande Partie.					6	Dunwich	6	Dunwich												
						Maidſtone		Maidſtone												
					4	Dragon														
Cruiſing between the North Foreland and the Flatts.					5	Folkſtone														
					4	Romney	4	Romney		Romney		Romney		Romney		Romney		Romney		
Convoy to the *Elbe* and *Norway*, and from thence to *England*.						Weymouth		Weymouth		Weymouth		Weymouth		Weymouth						
														Chatham						
Gone to Cruize off *Breſt*, to gain Intelligence.						Medway		Medway	5	Bridgwater										
Cruiſing on the Coaſt of *Suſſex*.					5	Litchfield Prize														
Cruiſing between *Orfordneſs* and *Yarmouth* Roads.					Brig. 6	Spy Queenbrough	Brig.	Spy												
Convoy between *Plymouth* and *Highlake*.							5	Hector	5	Hector	5	Hector	5	Hector	5	Hector	5	Hector	5	Hector
Cruiſing between *Spurnhead* and *Grimſby*.							Sloop	Wolf	Sloop	Wolf	Sloop	Wolf								
																			3	Elizabeth
							3	Revenge	3	Revenge	3	Revenge	3	Revenge						Expedition
								Orford		Orford		Rupert		Rupert	3	Revenge	3	Revenge		Revenge
								Warſpight		Warſpight			4	Glouceſter	4	Exeter	4	Exeter	4	Rupert
Cruiſing in the Soundings.							4	Tryton	4	Glouceſter				Moderate		Mary		Mary		Chatham
										Tryton	4	Hazardous		Falmouth		Medway		Medway		Deptford
										Medway		Medway				Falmouth		Rochester		Exeter
																Glouceſter		Deptford		Falkland
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